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Sedgwick County Health Sponsors "Café' Con Leche" Health Event

(Sedgwick County, Kansas) – October is National Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

And, the Sedgwick County Health Department along with American Cancer Society will be hosting outreach events throughout the month to encourage women (especially underserved populations) to have a mammogram.

The Sedgwick County Health Department will be sponsoring the fourth annual Café Con Leche – Celebration to Health, as part of National Breast Cancer Awareness Month in order to reach the Hispanic community. The Celebration of Health will be Sunday, October 20 from 1:30 to 4 p.m. at the Evergreen Park Recreation Center, 2700 N. Woodland. There will be speakers, informational booths, HIV testing and diabetes screening as well as food and activities for children. The cost for this event is free and everyone is welcome.

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The goal for Breast Cancer Awareness Month is to educate and inform women about breast cancer and the Free to Know Program at the Sedgwick County Health Department. Breast Cancer will strike 200,000 people and claim 40,000 lives this year, according to American Cancer Society. Experts agree regular screenings are the most effective means to early detection of breast cancer.

"The Sedgwick County Health Department operates the 'Free to Know' program, a wonderful program for women," said Chairman Ben Sciortino. "These outreach efforts help us to get this information out to our community."

For more information on the "Free to Know" program or to find out the stipulations for eligibility contact the Sedgwick County Health Department at 660-7300.

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